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Majority prices were unchanged to lower when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was no better than steady to weak. Demand was mostly fair at best with purchases usually limited to immediate needs. Interest for first of the month increased slightly in spot areas, but was generally disappointing. Supplies were sufficient to ample with steep discounts reported to help clear excess product. In the parts structure, trading was light and unaggressive. Availability was at least adequate for all items. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desir-

NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 10/01/01-10/06/01 (cents per lb)

| | US GRADE A | | COMPOSITE | | |
|---------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| | (Includes bra | inded prod | duct) | | |
| <u>AREAS</u> | MAJORITY | WTD | LOADS | WTD | LOADS |
| | | <u>AVG</u> | | <u>AVG</u> | |
| Bos/New Eng | 54.50-56.00 | 55.53 | 16 | 64.77 | 40 |
| Chicago | 50.00-54.00 | 53.47 | 45 | 55.22 | 86 |
| Cincinnati | TFEWR | _ | _ | 60.37 | 19 |
| Cleveland | TFEWR | _ | _ | 64.96 | 13 |
| Denver | 71.50 | 71.44 | 17 | 69.69 | 21 |
| Detroit | 52.00 | 53.77 | 13 | 58.19 | 44 |
| Los Angeles | 72.00 | 69.42 | 70 | 66.20 | 155 |
| New York | 54.00-56.00 | 54.74 | 23 | 56.92 | 52 |
| Philadelphia | 53.00-55.00 | 53.20 | 10 | 53.46 | 23 |
| Pittsburgh | 50.50-53.00 | 52.70 | 10 | 59.61 | 56 |
| St. Louis | 52.75-53.00 | 52.21 | 18 | 54.58 | 34 |
| San Francisco | 72.50 | 71.52 | 30 | 73.07 | 69 |

CORRECTION ON FRIDAY 09/28/01 CHICAGO WTD AVG 52.88

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

10/01/01 Change/Last Wk 09/24/01 10/02/00 Loads 612 60.71 -1.3156.46

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

| <u>REGIONS</u> | <u>MAJORITY</u> | WTD AVG | LOADS | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|--------------|--|--|--|
| East | 57.00-64.00 | 63.22 | 53 | | | |
| Central | 54.00-61.00 | 58.62 | 64 | | | |
| West | 52.00-62.00 | 60.66 | 52 | | | |
| Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent | | | | | | |
| Mississippi | 65.00-67.00 | 66.15 | 82 | | | |

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 66.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

| | | WONDAY FINAL WID AVG |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| LOADS | RANGE | FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT |
| 1,055 | 50.00-67.75 | 64.58 |
| The Georgia f.o.b. | dock confirmed final w | eighted average prices on |
| ice packed parts: | WTD AVG | VOLUME |
| ITEM | (CENTS PER POUNT |)) (000 POUNDS) |

| ice packed parts. | WIDAVG | VOLUME |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <u>ITEM</u> | (CENTS PER POUND) | (000 POUNDS) |
| LINE RUN TENDER | S 214.50 | 1,269 |
| BREASTS - B/S | 150.50 | 3,954 |
| BREASTS - WHOLE | 73.00 | 1,094 |
| THIGH MEAT - B/S | 93.00 | 756 |
| LEG QUARTERS | 36.00 | 7,923 |
| WINGS | 110.50 | 2,869 |
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SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand following the weekend was light as needs were assessed and further developments monitored. Supplies were at least adequate to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, all items were more than sufficient, movement slow to fair. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity was very light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers were cautious and selective. Offerings of all sizes were fully adequate to ample. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly light to no better than fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, breast items were ample and available at discounted levels. Legs and leg quarters were at least adequate. Wings ranged adequate to available.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The market tone was about steady on regular commitments for this week's deliveries and barely steady to weak on new negotiations. Offerings generally ample. Steep discounts on WOGs helped somewhat to stimulate interest in additional product. Buying interest slightly increased in some areas, but disappointing for first-of-the-month. Demand by stores moderate overall for bagged whole body, best to cover planned ads; fairly good for parts best by fast food. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The market tone was generally steady on parts. Reported trading on parts: leg quarters bulk 34.5-36 and 4/10s generally 37.5, breasts bonein 70-79 and boneless 125-135, boneless leg meat 88-90. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 54.91 down 4.98 with the volume reported up 9 percent from last week at 37 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were lower with Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole fryer trade sentiment was steady at best to weak. Offerings of additional product were fully sufficient on heavy weight birds, limited on lighter weight product. Buyers usually disinterested and cautious. Movement into all channels was slow to fair. Floor stocks were in balance to fully adequate, weights generally desirable. Parts trading was lacking with tenderloins providing best interest. Supplies were available on all items. The market tone was cautiously steady to weak on breast items and wings and about steady on remaining items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally noted as light to very light for post weekend fill-in needs. Seller offerings varied by both size and volume available, but were fully sufficient for trade needs. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent lower at 55 to 69 cents. Trade sentiment was unsettled and no better than steady. In the parts complex, thighs were tight in instances, but most other items were noted in a range of at least adequate to ample.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDI-ATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM **BRANDED** DELMARVA.

| | U.S. GRADE A |
|------------------|--------------|
| RANGE | 44-74 |
| WEIGHTED AVERAGE | 57.98 |
| NO. OF BOXES | 14,254 |

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was limited as dealers entered the week adopting a very cautious and selective posture. Offerings of breast items remained ample and discounted. Legs and leg quarters were at least adequate, however, thighs were in good balance. Wings were available. Movement through foodservice and distributive channels was light, in addition, refill activity was slow in developing through retail channels. The market tone was at least steady on thighs, barely steady to weak on the balance.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS. DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

| | CU | RRENT | WTD | VOLUME |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| <u>ITEM</u> | NEGOTIATED TR | RADING | AVG | /LBS |
| BREAST - B/S | 1: | 25-130 | 136.94 | 644,220 |
| TENDERLOINS | | 145 | 149.84 | 120,960 |
| BREAST - WITH R | IBS | 61-62 | 65.99 | 328,520 |
| BREAST - LINE R | UN | 61 | 61.50 | 144,000 |
| LEGS | | 43-44 | 47.64 | 214,960 |
| LEG QUARTERS | (BULK) | 34-35 | 34.33 | 472,911 |
| DRUMSTICKS | | 41-42 | 48.05 | 139,430 |
| THIGHS | | 37-38 | 44.24 | 149,660 |
| B/S THIGHS | | 89-90 | 94.15 | 53,080 |
| WINGS (WHOLE) | 1 | 00-101 | 107.84 | 351,240 |
| BACKS AND NEC | KS (STRIPPED) | 10-12 | 12.08 | 82,160 |
| LIVERS (5 POUNI | D TUBS) | 30-35 | 39.65 | 121,840 |
| GIZZARDS (HEAR | rts) | 45-50 | 54.60 | 143,856 |
| INCLUDES NEW Y | ORK CITY METI | ROPOLIT | AN AREA, N | ORTHERN |
| NEW JERSEY, MA | SSACHUSETTS. | CONNEC | CTICUT, RH | ODE ISLAND |

AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

| <u>ITEM</u> | LBS (00 | 0) RANGE | MAJORITY | WT. AVG |
|--------------------|---------|----------------|-----------------|---------|
| BREAST - B/S | 2,514 | 110.00-160.00 | 120-130 | 127.23 |
| TENDERLOINS | 166 | 135.00-245.00 | - | 159.39 |
| BREAST - WITH RIBS | 121 | 60.00-90.00 | - | 70.21 |
| FRONT HALVES | 360 | 56.00-75.00 | | 57.23 |
| LEGS | | IO TRADING REI | PORTED | |
| LEG QUARTERS (BUL | K) 202 | 28.00-32.00 | 28-30 | 30.02 |
| LEG QUARTERS (4/10 |) 2,243 | 30.00-34.00 | 33 | 32.34 |
| WINGS (WHOLE) | 248 | 75.00-119.00 | - | 97.59 |
| DRUMSTICKS | N | IO TRADING REI | PORTED | |
| THIGHS | 1,882 | 31.00-40.00 | 33-35 | 33.94 |

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

| | ESTIMATE | ACTUAL | AVG WTS | ACTUAL | AVG WTS | | |
|------------|--|---------------|----------------|---------|----------------|--|--|
| | 10/01 | 09/27 | 09/27 | 09/24 | 09/20 | | |
| ALA | 4,076 | 4,070 | 5.08 | 3,923 | 5.01 | | |
| ARK | 5,278 | 4,976 | 4.95 | 5,249 | 4.86 | | |
| DELMARVA | 2,313 | 2,185 | 5.02 | 2,363 | 4.90 | | |
| KY-LA-TN | 2,000 | 1,982 | 4.52 | 2,021 | 4.55 | | |
| MISS | 2,841 | 2,791 | 5.06 | 2,858 | 5.08 | | |
| NC | 2,628 | 2,536 | 5.84 | 2,534 | 5.85 | | |
| TEXAS | 2,407 | 2,385 | 4.87 | 2,320 | 4.88 | | |
| TOTAL | 21,543 | 20,925 | 5.06 | 21,268 | 5.02 | | |
| MON | 21,543(A | .) | | 21,268(| A) | | |
| (A) Weekly | (A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. | | | | | | |

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 01-Oct 2001 is estimated to be 32,231,000 up 0.99 percent from a week ago and up 4.80 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,915,000, last year 30,754,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIA-TIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND. POUNDS

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| <u>ITEM</u> | (000) | RANGE | MAJORITY | <u>AVG</u> |
| BREAST - B/S | 913 | 115.00-191.00 | 142-145 | 141.45 |
| TENDERLOINS | 183 | 150.00-250.00 | 150 | 164.86 |
| BREAST - LINE RUN | - | TOO FEW TO R | EPORT | |
| FRONT HALVES | - | TOO FEW TO R | EPORT | |
| LEGS | 128 | 40.00-57.00 | 40-42 | 43.17 |
| LEG QUARTERS (BULK | () 406 | 30.00-33.00 | 30-32 | 30.54 |
| LEG QUARTERS (4/10) | 1,360 | 32.00-36.50 | 33-35 | 34.43 |
| WINGS (WHOLE) | 311 | 108.00-112.00 | 108-109 | 110.80 |
| WINGS (CUT) | 1,019 | 116.00-130.00 | - | 125.52 |
| DRUMSTICKS | - | TOO FEW TO R | EPORT | |
| THIGHS | - | TOO FEW TO R | EPORT | |
| B/S THIGHS | - | TOO FEW TO R | EPORT | |
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WTD

TRADING FOR OCT 01, 2001 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE TODAY'S AVERAGE 5-DAY AVERAGE 46.25 - 52.50 48.90 50.23

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 01- 05 OCT-2001 CENTS PER POUND

| | | Price Per Lb. | Mostly |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | BREAST - B/S | 110.00 - 140.00 | 130.00 - 135.00 |
| | BREAST - LINE RUN | 62.00 - 84.00 | 64.00 - 70.00 |
| | LEGS | 42.00 - 52.00 | - |
| | LEG QUARTERS (BULK) | 30.00 - 38.00 | 30.00 - 32.00 |
| | DRUMSTICKS | 38.00 - 51.00 | - |
| | THIGHS | 35.00 - 46.00 | - |
| 1 | WINGS (WHOLE) | 93.00 - 110.00 | 101.00 - 102.00 |
| | BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED) | 12.00 - 17.00 | - |
| | LIVERS | 25.00 - 46.00 | - |
| | GIZZARDS (HEARTS) | 40.00 - 52.00 | - |

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY,

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

| | RANGE |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE | 84-103 |
| WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES | 87-109 |
| FROZEN HENS 5# & UP | 93-99 |
| FROZEN DUCKS | 139-154 |
| FROZEN SQUABS | 589 |

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

| (L.A. AREA) | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| FRESH FRYERS | 88-90 |
| ROASTERS 4# & UP | 71-90 |
| HENS UNDER 5# | |
| HENS OVER 5# | |
| DUCKS | 139 |
| RABBITS-WHOLE | |
| RABBITS-CUT UP | |
| SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY | |
| DELIVEDED TO DESTALIDANTS AND INISTI | THITIONS |

| DELIVERED TO RESTAU | <u>RANTS AND INSTI</u> | <u>TUTIONS</u> |
|---------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| FRESH FRYERS | ICE PACK | 96-99 |
| | DRY PACK | 98-106 |
| ROASTERS 4# & UP | DRY PACK | 113-123 |
| | ICE PACK | 104-113 |
| HENS OVER 5# | DRY PACK | 91 |
| | ICE PACK | 98 |
| DUCKS | | 152-166 |

^{**} WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCTSHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

28-SEP-2001

<u>CHICKEN</u> — PRICES — VOLUME —

(Cents per Pound)

FAT
CONTENT FROZEN FRESH TOTAL EXPORT
15% OR LESS

RANGE 20.00 - 240,000 WTD AVERAGE 20.00

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

(Cents per Pound)

| (00.110 poi : 00.110) | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|--|--|
| FAT | | | | | | |
| CONTENT | FROZEN | FRESH | TOTAL | EXPORT | | |
| 15% OR LESS | 3 | | | | | |
| RANGE 1 | 5.50-20.00 | 17.00-20.00 | 952,000 | 212,000 | | |
| WTD AVERAG | E 16.50 | 18.38 | | | | |
| 15-20% | | | | | | |
| RANGE 1 | 2.75-19.50 | 16.00-17.00 | 1,218,480 | 764,000 | | |
| WTD AVERAG | E 15.16 | 16.21 | | | | |
| 20% OR MOR | E | | | | | |
| RANGE | - | 17.00 | 8,000 | - | | |
| WTD AVERAG | E | 17.00 | | | | |
| * INCLUDES T | HE STATES | of CT, DE, FL, G | A. MA. MD. ME | NC. NH. | | |

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of heavy fowl. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-OCT-01 RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG CENTS/LB.

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 5-11 7-8.5 8.14

<u>CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN</u> F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR

MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

28-SEP-2001

CHICKEN —— PRICES —— VOLUME —— (Cents per Pound)

FAT

CONTENT FROZEN FRESH TOTAL EXPORT

15% OR LESS

RANGE - - -

WTD AVERAGE

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

—— PRICES ——— VOLUME —— (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT **FROZEN FRESH** TOTAL EXPORT 15% OR LESS RANGE 17.35 17.00 202,400 80,000 WTD AVERAGE 17.35 17.00 15-20% 14.50-19.00 11.00-16.50 **RANGE** 2,225,600 568,000 WTD AVERAGE 15.46 14.68 20% OR MORE **RANGE** 15.00 81,600 WTD AVERAGE 15.00

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN,MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were at least adequate for the mostly fair demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Canner supplies were clearing satisfactorily and generally sufficient for trade needs. The undertone was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-OCT-01 RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG CENTS/LB.

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 4.75-10.5 7-9 8.03
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

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^{*} WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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